

## The Russell Society

### Sale of the Norman Cogger Mineral Collection

Norman lived in Tonbridge, Kent and was a member of the Russell Society for many years. Following his passing away in January 2017, and in line with his wishes, his mineral collection is now being sold to raise funds for his chosen good cause, the Kent and Sussex Hospital League of Friends.

Norman's collection contains a wide range of foreign and British species, with an emphasis on the chemistry of minerals rather than aesthetics. The collection is well curated, with specimens in a clean condition and supported by labels, a card index system and catalogues. The collection is housed in a number of cabinets that are included as an integral part of the sale. Potential purchasers should be aware that the collection contains a number of radioactive minerals.

Austin Woodbridge and Roy Starkey have kindly taken photographs of the collection and the catalogues. These can be downloaded at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j15j92vd7txkagq/AABPqGwZWYGlwdUEgdbxZt63a?dl=0>

Norman's collection also contains a suite of minerals collected from Kent chalk solution pipes (trays 15-22), these do not form part of the sale and will be donated to a suitable museum.

The collection can be viewed in person (10.00am to 4.00pm) on the following open days at Greenacres, Liverton Hill, Sandway, Maidstone, Kent, ME17 2NW.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Please confirm your intention to visit, with approximate time of arrival, to Steve Warren at [steve.warren@estellwarren.co.uk](mailto:steve.warren@estellwarren.co.uk) by 5pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

Purchasers should satisfy themselves that the minerals described in the catalogues are present in the physical collection, no guarantee is given in this respect.

Tenders for the purchase of the collection are to be returned by email by **12noon on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017** to the Russell Society at the following email address:

[steve.warren@estellwarren.co.uk](mailto:steve.warren@estellwarren.co.uk)

Emails should be headed: Norman Cogger Collection

Tenders received after the stated return time will not be accepted.

Tenderers shall provide the following information:

1. Name
2. Full postal address
3. Contact telephone number
4. Their final offer for the part of the collection that is being offered for sale, in pounds Sterling.

Receipt of email bids shall be considered binding, with tenderers deemed to have agreed to make payment in full, to the Russell Society, within 3 days of confirmation of the success of their tender and to remove the collection within 14 days of payment.

Following receipt of tenders the successful purchaser will be informed on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017.